STATE OF CONNECTICUT

House of Representatives

General Assembly

File No. 132

January Session, 2009

House Bill No. 6055

House of Representatives, March 23, 2009

The Committee on Public Safety and Security reported through REP. DARGAN of the 115th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the bill ought to pass.

AN ACT CONCERNING A STUDY OF REGIONALIZING PUBLIC SAFETY ANSWERING POINTS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. (*Effective from passage*) The E 9-1-1 Commission established
- 2 under section 28-29a of the general statutes shall, within available
- 3 resources, conduct a state-wide study to determine the operational and
- 4 financial impact of public safety answering point regionalization for
- 5 each individual municipality. Not later than July 1, 2010, the
- 6 commission shall submit, in accordance with the provisions of section
- 7 11-4a of the general statutes, a report of the conclusions of the study to
- 8 the joint standing committee of the General Assembly having
- 9 cognizance of matters relating to public safety.

This act shall take effect as follows and shall amend the following					
sections:					
Section 1	from passage	New section			

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OFA Fiscal Note

State Impact:

Agency Affected	Fund-Effect	FY 10 \$	FY 11 \$
Department of Public Safety-	E 9-1-1 Fund -	100,000-	None
Division of Fire, Emergency and	Cost	150,000	
Building Services			

Municipal Impact: None

Explanation

The bill directs the E 9-1-1 Commission of the Department of Public Safety (DPS), within available resources, to conduct a study to determine the operational and financial impact of public safety answering point regionalization, and to report findings to the General Assembly no later than July 1, 2010. Based on the cost of past studies undertaken by the Department, it is estimated that this would result in a cost of \$100,000-\$150,000 in FY 10, an amount which is currently available through the Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund.

It is anticipated that the E 9-1-1 Commission would direct the Office of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications (OSET) to contract with a consultant to conduct the study. This would be paid through OSET's Enhanced 9-1-1 Telecommunications Fund, which ended FY 08 with a balance of \$16.5 million. Revenues to the Fund are projected to exceed expenditures in FY 09.

The Out Years

None

Source(s): Annual Report of the Comptroller 2008; Office of Statewide Emergency Telecommunications

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SUMMARY:

The Office of Legislative Research does not analyze Special Acts.

COMMITTEE ACTION

Public Safety and Security Committee

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